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U.S. Patent Documents

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,159,343 to Harmuth, issued October 27, 1992;
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,748,891 to Robert Alan Fleming et al., issued May 5, 1998;
3. U.S. Patent No. 5,920,278 to G. Leonard Tyler et al., issued July 6, 1999;
4. U.S. Patent No. 6,002,708 to Robert Alan Fleming et al., issued December 14, 1999;
5. U.S. Patent No. 6,026,125 to J. Frederick Larrick, Jr. et al., issued February 15, 2000;
6. U.S. Patent No. 6,133,875 to Hiroshi Kishimoto, issued October 17, 2000;
7. U.S. Patent No. 6,133,876 to Larry W. Fullerton et al., issued October 17, 2000;
8. U.S. Patent No. 6,300,903 B1 to James L. Richards et al., issued October 9, 2001;
and
9. U.S. Patent No. 6,351,652 B1 to James S. Finn et al., issued February 26, 2002.

Foreign Patent Documents

1. WO 01/93434 A2 to Martin Rofheart et al., issued December 6, 2001.

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Copies of the above-listed documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08A, are enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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